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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Trenton J. Roche

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --
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- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 24 June 2005.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1,3-5 and 7-12 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,3-5 and 7-12 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 08 February 2002 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

1. This office action is responsive to communications filed 24 June 2005.
2. Per Applicant's request, amended claims 1, 3, 7 and 8 have been entered. Claims 2 and 6 have been canceled. Newly added claims 10-12 have been entered. Claims 1, 3-5 and 7-12 are currently pending.
3. Claims 1, 3-5 and 7-12 have been examined.

Response to Arguments

4. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1, 3-5 and 7-12 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Claim Objections

5. Claim 7 is objected to because of the following informalities: Line 7 appears to have the word 'inputted' misspelled. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

6. In light of Applicant's amendments, the rejection of claims 6-8 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 2nd has been withdrawn.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

7. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

(a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.

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8. Claims 1, 3-5 and 7-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by "Dealing with Dates and Times in ColdFusion" by Kurtus.

Per claim 1:

Kurtus discloses:

- formatting a user inputted date to match requirements of a programming language ("you are going to update a record with a date or time, you must reformat the data..." on page 4.)
- sending the formatted user inputted date as a parameter of a date creation function of the programming language; and generating a program language generated date using the date creation function (Note page 4, sections titled "Submit action page" and "Set format for SQL," wherein a text form takes in a date and as a parameter and passes the user inputted date to the #CREATEODBCDATETIME function which generates a 'new_date' object.)
- comparing the formatted user inputted date to the program language generated date to determine the validity of the user inputted date (Note pages 4 and 5, section titled "Insert data," wherein prior to inserting a date into the record, a comparison is made of the user inputted date (date_used) and the newly generated date (new_date).)

substantially as claimed.

Per claim 3:

The rejection of claim 1 is incorporated, and further, Kurtus discloses returning a Boolean value of true or false after comparing the formatted user inputted date to the program language generated date as claimed (Note pages 4 and 5, section titled "Insert data" wherein the comparison in the

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WHERE clause inherently returns a true or false depending on the comparison result, thereby telling SQL whether to insert or not.)

Per claim 4:

The rejection of claim 1 is incorporated, and further, Kurtus discloses sending an object after comparing the formatted user inputted date to the program language generated date as claimed (Note pages 4 and 5, section titled “Insert data” wherein upon fulfillment of the WHERE clause, the date object is sent (inserted) into the record.)

Per claim 5:

The rejection of claim 1 is incorporated, and further, Kurtus discloses throwing an exception after comparing the formatted user inputted date to the program language generated date (Note pages 4 and 5, section titled “Insert data” wherein the comparison in the WHERE clause will return a notice or exception to the user based on the results of the insert.)

Per claims 7 and 8:

Claims 7 and 8 recite a computer system and a date validation mechanism, respectively, for performing the method of claim 1, and are rejected under the rationale set forth in connection with claim 1. Kurtus further discloses a processor, a memory, and software instructions stored in the memory for enabling the computer system to perform the method of claim 1 (“insert or update with SQL commands...” on page 5. For these commands to be processed, a processor, memory, and software instructions must inherently be present.)

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Per claim 9:

The rejection of claim 8 is incorporated, and further, note the rejection regarding claims 4 and 5.

Per claims 10 and 11:

The rejection of claim 7 is incorporated, and further, note the rejection regarding claims 3-5.

Per claim 12:

The rejection of claim 8 is incorporated, and further, note the rejection regarding claim 3.

Conclusion

9. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Trenton J. Roche whose telephone number is (571) 272-3733. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 5:30 pm.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kakali Chaki can be reached on (571) 272-3719. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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